

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

This application is a continuation of U.S. Patent Application No. 10/671,312, filed September 24, 2003. Claims 1-16 have been cancelled. New claims 17-29 have been added. Upon entry of this Preliminary Amendment, claims 17-29 will be pending in this application.

CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing, Applicants believe all claims now pending in this Application are in condition for allowance. The issuance of a formal Notice of Allowance at an early date is respectfully requested.

If the Examiner believes a telephone conference would expedite prosecution of this application, please telephone the undersigned at 303-571-4000.

Respectfully submitted,



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